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SUBJ: AIDE MEMORIE FROM PAKISTAN MINISTER OF STATE
TO SECRETARY

1. DURING A CALL I MADE ON HIM YESTERDAY AT MY INITIATIVE (SEPTELS) AZIZ AHMAD , MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS, GAVE ME FOLLOWING AIDE MEMOIRE WHOSE PARTICULARS, HE SAID, HE HAD PROMISED TO PROVIDE TO THE SECRETARY AS RESULT OF A TALK THEY HAD AT CENTO MINISTERIAL MEETING:

2. "IN THE COURSE OF A MEETING WITH DR. KISSINGER DURING THE CENTO MINISTERIAL MEETING HELD IN ANKARA IN MAY 1975, THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. AZIZ AHMED MENTIONED THAT FOLLOWING THE SINO-INDIAN BORDER CONFLICT OF 1962, THE US HAD EQUIPPED SIX INDIAN MOUNTAIN DIVISIONS UNDER ITS MILITARY AID PROGRAMME.

3. "THE DETAILS OF THE ARMS/EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY THE US TO INDIA SINCE 1962 ARE AS FOLLOWS:
(A) 75MM HOWITZERS, SUFFICIENT TO EQUIP 6 MOUNTAIN DIVISIONS;
(B) .30 MMGS, 800; (C) 81MM MORTARS, 475; (D) 57MM GUNS, 237; (E) 7.62MM AMMUNITION, LARGE QUANTITY; (F) AN GRC-9, 500 SETS; (G) AN PRC-10, 810 SETS; (H) CARIBOU AIRCRAFT, 2; (I) PACKET AIRCRAFT, 24 (TPT/CARGO-CAN CARRY 62 PASSENGERS OR 45 PARATROOPS); (J) HIGH POWER GCI RADAR
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STATIONS, 8; (K) GCA RADAR, 4; (L) AMMINITION FACTORY

COMPLETE, 1 (CAPACITY 50,000 ROUNDS A MONTH OF 7.62 AMMO).

4. "IT MAY BE ADDED THAT LAST YEAR THE US DECIDED
DESPITE OUR PROTEST, TO GO FORWARD WITH ITS PLAN ENTITLED,
"PEACE INDIGO", BY VIRTUE OF WHICH ALL INDIAN RADAR WARNING
STATONS LOCATED ON INDIA'S NORTH AND NORTHWESTERN BORDERS
(FACING CHINA AND PAKISTAN) WOULD BE LINKED WITH DELHI.

5. "IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE FOREGOING MAY BE BROUGHT TO
THE NOTICE OF DR. KISSINGER".
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